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This is a request for filing a divisional application, under 37 CFR §1.53(b), of pending prior application serial no. 10/367,619 filed on February 14, 2003, of John C. Gano, Tommie A. Freeman, John S. Bowling and James R. Longbottom entitled EXPANDABLE WELLBORE JUNCTION.

(XX) Enclosed are 33 pages of specification, including claims (U.S. Patent No. 6,189,616), 16 sheets of drawings (FIGS. 1-10), a copy of the declaration filed in the prior application, a Preliminary Amendment and an Information Disclosure Statement.

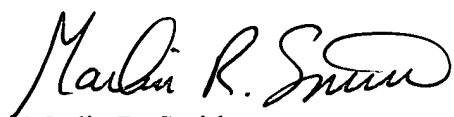
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- (XX) The prior application is assigned of record to Halliburton Energy Services, Inc.
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